

Park Bond Campaign Opened



AUSTRALIAN INSTRUCTOR . . . Lt. Geoffrey P. Yelland of Adelaide, Australia, gives a lecture on map reading to men in Company E, 132nd Armored Engineers Battalion, local National Guard unit. He is a member of the Australian equivalent of the National Guard and is training with local troops under agreement between the two governments.

Soldier from 'Down Under' Learning about Other Half

A visitor from "down under" currently is learning how the other half of the world lives. The visitor is 1st Lt. Geoffrey P. Yelland, an Australian officer in the Civilian Military Forces, the Australian equivalent of the U. S. National Guard. In coming to America he has a dual purpose — to learn about American military organization and to find out how American public utilities are run.

While staying in this country, he is training with the Torrance company of the California National Guard. He has been assigned as a platoon

commander and is training and instructing the Torrance troops. **Customs Differ** Military men are pretty much the same all over the world, the 27-year-old lieutenant believes. However, the drilling and saluting customs are different from those in Australia. "In most things, there are small differences," he reported. When I first tried to drill American troops, however, the only thing I could get them to do is halt."

He wears his regular Australian uniform to drills, including the famed Australian

shoos hat, with the wide brim turned up on one side. The brim is turned up to allow the soldier to shoulder his rifle without knocking the hat off, he explains.

Much in Common Yelland and the commander of the local guard unit, Capt. Douglas J. "Dutch" Horlander, found they much in common, since Horlander formerly was a power plant superintendent.

An employe of the government-owned power system in Australia, the lieutenant also is studying public utility engineering and serving an internship with the Southern California Edison Co. He holds a master's degree in electrical engineering.

In Torrance, Lt. Yelland is studying the role the Guard plays in civil defense and community affairs. Torrance was picked because of the community-Guard cooperation record, Horlander reported.

Pay Complicated Getting his military pay is a complicated process for Lt. Yelland. His attendance is reported by the local unit and sent to Washington, which forwards the report to the Australian embassy. This is relayed back to Australia, where the pay is issued, and again has to be sent back to Torrance.

The pace in Los Angeles is much faster than in his native Adelaide, Australia, Yelland reported, but activities of the people aren't a great deal different. Australians seem to be much more active in sports than Americans, who are more spectators, he said.

He will return to Australia in October.



PARK PETITIONS READIED . . . Some of the leaders in the drive to put a \$3 million park and recreation bond issue on the city ballot in April look over some of the petitions which will be circulated starting this week. Shown are Mrs. Leo Fischer, Darwin Parrish, Mrs. Louis Bisou, Mrs. Mildred Jurco, and Mrs. Herma Tillim. (Herald Photo)

Group Maps Plans For Park Campaign

Plans to get some 2500 signatures to put another \$3 million bond issue for parks and recreation on the April ballot were mapped out at a meeting held Monday morning in the City Hall.

The group elected Darwin Parrish and Mrs. Herma Tillim as temporary chairmen of the drive. The issue will be the same one which was presented to the voters last October. It received 62 per cent approval, but needed 66.7 per cent for passage.

Circulation Planned Some 15 leaders from various organizations in the city mapped plans to start circulating the petitions this week throughout the city. A meeting of petition circulators and drive leaders will be held at 7:30 p.m. next Monday in the City Hall.

Petitions, which must be returned by mid-February, are available at 1543 Marcelina Ave. Only signatures of registered voters are valid on the petitions.

The \$3 million bond issue would be used to develop existing park sites and to purchase new sites in all parts of town. It would cost the average homeowner about 40 cents a month in taxes, it was indicated.

Issue Needed Leaders agreed that more parks and recreation were badly needed in Torrance and

opined that many voters had misunderstood the bond issue which failed in October.

At the present time, the city has six completely undeveloped park sites. Improvements would be made at seven other parks which are presently operating, and approximately 10 more sites would be purchased under plans proposed before the last bond election.

Realtors Alter Caravan; Tell Breakfast Plans

The Torrance-Lomita Realty Board caravan which has traveled through the area by bus during recent years will be changed to an automobile caravan beginning next Tuesday, it was announced here yesterday by President Bob Haggard.

The change in the caravan was revealed by Haggard at the same time he announced that a breakfast meeting would be held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at the YWCA building, Carson and Plaza Del Amo, beginning at 7:30 a.m.

Information on the new caravan plan will be presented at the first breakfast next Tuesday morning by Chairman Bill McEwen. Haggard is urging all Torrance-Lomita board members to attend the meeting.

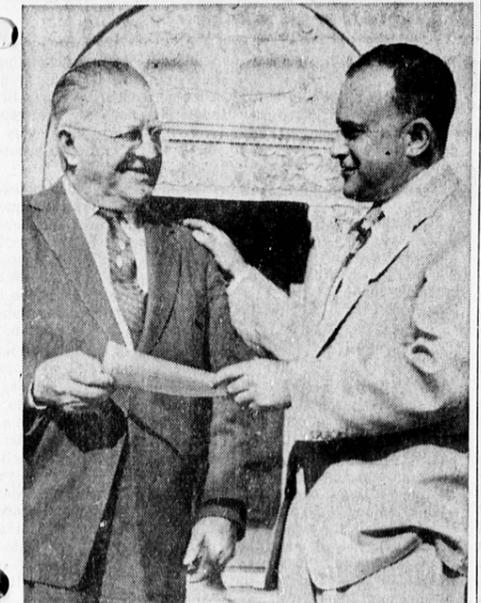
Alice O'Rourke, program chairman for Tuesday's meeting, will present information compiled by the multiple listing committee of the board.

W. E. Larsen Making Plans For Reunion

W. E. "Swede" Larsen, 4019 W. 176th St., is serving as publicity chairman for the second annual reunion of former officers and enlisted men who served on board the U.S.S. Arizona.

The reunion will be held on April 12 at the Jack Kennedy Center, Naval Base, Terminal Island, Long Beach. The U.S.S. Arizona still is officially in commission as a U. S. Navy vessel. That part of her superstructure which projects above the water of Pearl Harbor now serves as a memorial to those who died there Dec. 7, 1941.

Any men who served aboard the Arizona from the date it was commissioned to the day it was sunk, as well as widows and relatives of men lost at Pearl Harbor, are invited.



HOSPITAL GETS CHECK . . . A \$500 check for its building fund was presented to the Torrance Memorial Hospital by the Stuart Foundation of the Carnation Co. The non-profit hospital receives its funds from contributions. Here, Henry Creeger, chairman of the hospital board, receives the check from A. K. Tetley, of the Stuart Foundation. (Herald Photo)

Torrance High School Picks New Officers in Balloting

A new slate of officers was chosen at Torrance High School last week, with Len Ehlers winning the presidency of the student body by default. Bonnie Fletcher was named vice president.

Results were announced at a post-election dance. Winners included:

Commissioners — Jim Standridge, student court judge; Betty Yoshioka, records; Noni Johnston, finance; Diana Cook, pep; Phil Scholl, athletics; Barbara Balow, publicity; Carol Johnson, group control.

Senior Leaders — Seniors — David Burdick, president; Alice Mewborn, vice president; Marsha Iwata, treasurer; Cynthia Beadle, secretary; Margie Bartlett, court representative; and Lora Sturgill, league representative.

Juniors — Vice Masaki, president; Gerald Sherburne, vice president; Evelyn Salas, secretary; Donnis Wainwright,

treasurer; Carol Shinoda and Frank Endres, court representatives; and Diana Doyle, league representatives.

Sophomores — Mike Walker, president; Stanley Gonta, vice president; Susan Saari, secretary; Vicky Hippik, treasurer; Sandi Dow, court representative; and Linda Sweet, league representative.

Freshman Officers — Freshman — Pat Walker, president; Tommye Chandler, vice president; Cheryl Lacy, secretary; Joe Van Huss, treasurer; Jo Anne Isbell, court representative and Kathleen Malhean, league representative.

Girls' League — Jan Zuber, president; Carol Surber, vice president; Betty Baker, secretary; Diana Cook, treasurer; and Diane Fayt, historian-reported.

Boys' League — Kent Bartholic, president; Dick Rice, vice president; and Robert Pulliam, treasurer.



HELLO SUCKER! . . . Warren Dieter, playing an unsuspecting Shriner from Elkhart, Ind., gets the sucker treatment from Marie Denu (left) and Katherine Kellogg in a scene from Moss Hart's comedy of theaier people, "Light Up the Sky." The show will play tonight, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights, starting at 8:30 p.m. at the Hermosa Beach Playhouse at the foot of Pier Ave. Reservations can be made by calling the playhouse.

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BENEFIT PLANNED . . . The Four Preps, popular recording artists will appear at 8:30 this Friday night in the North High School gym in a benefit for the band uniform and choir robe fund of the school. Disc Jockey Joe Yokum will be emcee and other stars include Bob Roberts, drum major; the Accents, vocal group; Nikki Stevens, vocalist; Brother Bones, and Freddie Gray's Harbor Lights Orchestra. Tickets will be available at the door.

Order Week Delay In Leasing of Park

Southwood residents protesting use of Paradise Park as a temporary Little League field won a week's delay in the proceedings Tuesday when the

council instructed the Little League backers to check out reported offers of sites in other areas.

The council action was prompted by a petition containing 351 signatures of Southwood residents which was submitted by Mrs. Robert Ackerman.

"We are interested in developing the park for all the people," Mrs. Ackerman said when presenting the petitions. "We have 5000 children in Southwood, and it is not fair to all of the children of the area to lease the park to a selected group. There are other areas available," she said.

A spokesman for the Little League organization said they had received information on other sites over the week end. He said they would be interested in more permanent facilities than the park site.

Efforts to place another \$3 million park bond issue on the April ballot revived hopes that the park might be developed in the near future, it was indicated during the discussion.

The matter is due back before the council next week with a report on the alternate sites available to the Little League.

GOP Assembly Group Slates Meet Monday

A business meeting of the 68th District Republican Assembly has been scheduled for 6 p.m., Monday, Jan. 27, at the Hotel Hacienda in San Pedro. Nomination of officers and selection of delegates to the California Republic Assembly convention highlight the agenda, according to Jean W. Haley, president of the group.

Following the meeting, the members of the District Assembly will meet as a fact-finding committee to consider candidates for offices. The committee also will meet at the Hacienda.

Lions Slate Contest for HS Speakers

The students speakers contest for students from Torrance High School will be held at the Torrance Lions Club meeting on Feb. 18.

The THS winner will compete against the winner from North High and from the North Redondo, Manhattan Beach, and Redondo Lions Club winner on March 4. The winner from the South Torrance, Harbor City-Lomita, San Pedro, Wilmington and Avalon Clubs will vie on March 5.

The zone winner will be picked at a March 17 meeting at the Alondra Club and will compete in Harbor area competition in the North High Cafeteria.

Wrist Watch Stolen

Robert Leon Gilmer, 618 Pine Dr., reported the theft of a wrist watch, valued at \$150, to Torrance police Tuesday.

Gilmer said the watch was lying on the dresser in the bedroom.



SOUTH HIGH CANDIDATES . . . Seeking the student body presidency in elections to be held at South High School today are four boys and a girl. Shown are (left to right) Mike Watts, Larry Kopp, Dennis Hill, and Sue Crawford. Not pictured is Bill Hargrove. (Herald Photo)